Copy protection is not copyright protection because it prevents all forms of fair use as well as preventing piracy. The availability of the VCR and other devices to allow programs to be watched at a different time from the original broadcast will be blocked. Frankly, I am not interested in HDTV if it means going back to the days before VCR's or Tivo. This is a step backward.

If some company's elect not to offer HDTV content because of the lack of copy protection, then other company's will. If no company can broadcast HDTV content without copy protection.. then lets just stay with the current broadcast standards and televisions. What is the clear benefit of this new technology if it is going to be enormously more inconvenient?

If HDTV isn't going to be a asterisk about a failed idea, the FCC should avoid making the medium a tollroad that has restricted access and less convenience and capabilities than the current 1960's era television.